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17 November 1978

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Dave Sullivan Case

- REFERENCES: A. Memorandum to the DCI (OLC #78-5199/9)  
Dated 15 November 1978, HPSCI Interest  
in Subject Case
- B. Memorandum to the DCI (OLC #78-5199/10)  
Dated 16 November 1978, SSCI Interest  
in Subject Case

1. (S) Regarding the oversight Committees' requests pertaining to the Dave Sullivan case, and the Director's reaction thereto as noted on Reference A, I met with the Director this morning and reviewed with him the approved Committee staff access to three separate documents: the Steinbruner paper and Sullivan commentary thereon, the short version of the Sullivan paper, and the long version of the Sullivan paper; in short, Ford/Ralston, SSCI staff, access to all three; and approval of access by Rhett Dawson, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, to the short version.

2. (S) Because of the extreme intelligence sources and methods sensitivity of the Sullivan papers, the Director believes we should draw the line on access at our intelligence Committees on any new requests, and then we will have to face those requests one at a time. Further, that we must limit to the absolute minimum the number of staff of these Committees. Of course, we have the approval to proceed with Dawson, as above. Consequently, I obtained from Tom Latimer, Staff Director, HPSCI, the fact that only Dick Anderson would have access for HPSCI and from Bill Miller, Staff Director, SSCI, that only himself, Ralston and Ford would be involved, and only Miller for any further security sensitivities which may emerge. It was Miller's opinion that we would not get requests from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee since Senator Frank Church (D., Idaho) had been assured by Bill Miller that the

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SSCI would conduct a thorough review of the matter. Miller indicated it would be absolutely essential for the Committee to be able to include that the handling of this issue was absolutely correct, and this they could do only by satisfying themselves that it was. I subsequently talked to Dick Anderson and will meet with him Tuesday, 21 November 1978, to arrange for his access. His interests center on how the Sullivan views were handled (an issue of substantive dissent) and what happened in the review process leading up to the production of Sullivan's papers. He will want to familiarize himself with the paper once again also.

3. (S) Regarding the subject covered in Reference B, the Director has no objection whatsoever to the Committees investigating the production processing of the Sullivan papers and the circumstances relating to Sullivan's departure and security related matters, including the review of Sullivan's personnel file, for which I have obtained approval also from the DDA (Mike Malanick) and OGC [redacted] As to the focal point for handling security related matters, the Director had no specific recommendations and following discussions with Mike Malanick, we are to deal with Bob Gambino, Director of Security. On the access to the Sullivan papers within NFAC and the handling of interviews with NFAC personnel, I have asked [redacted] to assume responsibility, making it clear to [redacted] that we are only talking about access to the papers in question and we do not have approval to permit the staffers to delve deeper into any related sensitive sources and methods material. Concerning the DDO security equities in that matter, I specifically alerted John McMahon. Regarding NSA equities in this matter, I spoke with Gene Yeates, who has a pending request from Dick Anderson, and explained to him how we were proceeding in handling the matter.

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Attachments:  
References A and B

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